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BRIEFS

DISNEY SPONSORS MEADOWLANDS KICKOFF CLASSIC

LAKE BUENA VISTA, FLA.—Walt Disney World has taken over presenting sponsorship of the eight-year-old Kickoff Classic at New Jersey's Meadowlands completing a "two-point conversion" that will launch the 1990 college football season with Disney events on both coasts.

The Kickoff Classic presented by Walt Disney World is scheduled for Aug. 31, five days after the inaugural Disneyland Pigskin Classic at Anaheim Stadium on Aug. 26.

HAND IN HAND FESTIVAL

The annual Hand In Hand Festival will take place Saturday, June 9 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Middlesex County Community College in Edison. Attended by more than 12,000 people each year, the festival provides an opportunity for non-handicapped volunteers and mentally handicapped individuals from throughout the state to spend a day together in a carnival-like atmosphere. (Continued on page 8)

DIABETES CENTER OFFERS WEIGHT LOSS PROGRAM

EDISON—The Diabetes Center of New Jersey, an affiliate of Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center, is offering a 12-session Weight Loss Program for people with diabetes or who have a history of diabetes in their family and want to reduce their weight safely and keep it off permanently.

Participants may attend either afternoon or evening classes. Sessions begin June 5 and conclude July 24. Afternoon classes start at 1:30 p.m.; evening classes start at 6:30 p.m. All classes will be held at the Diabetes Center, located at 34-36 Progress Street, Suite B-4 (off Inman Avenue), Edison.

PLAINFIELD — Political newcomers Malcolm Dunn, running for councilman-at-large, and Peggy Wilds, running for the 2nd and 3rd ward council seat, captured the primary victory from Ken Scott and Robert Ferraro who ran for councilman-at-large and 2nd and 3rd ward council seats respectively.

Contacted at the headquarters, after the victory was announced, excited workers and candidates expressed the need for unity to move the city forward. "I will capture the spirit of this victory, hopefully, we will be able to bring the two factions together so that we can move the city forward," says Dunn. "When I look at the challenge in November to win against the Republicans, I believe my experience in business

and Peggy's can contribute significantly to moving the city forward. The democratic party is the more inclusive party and more people must be given a chance to participate in the party in order to better represent Plainfield," said Dunn.

"Of course, I am thrilled about the campaign and this victory. I think that many citizens saw that we were trying to bring the party together," said Peggy Wilds.

Elizabeth Urquhart, who ran unopposed, echoed the comments of her running mates. "Our goal is to bring the city together, we did not have any ill feelings," Jerry Green, who maintained his control of the democratic committee said, "It is obvious the people of

Plainfield have indicated the direction they want the city to go. I am prepared to bring the party together."

Former mayor, Richard Taylor, a bit more reflective, said, "The people of Plainfield are looking for a sharp change in direction, policy, and delivery of services. The primary results reflect a six month referendum on Mayor Mitchell's stewardship." According to John Campbell, a former supporter of the mayor who supported Dunn, said, "the people are looking for a positive change."

Ken Scott, contacted at his headquarters, was surrounded by former but confident workers and supporters. Said Scott, "We started the campaign on a platform of doing the right thing.



Plainfield Primary winners (left to right) Elizabeth Urquhart, Malcolm Dunn, and Peggy Wilds.

Plainfield first has to be the issue not personality and egos." When asked if the results of the election means the democrats will come together, Scott was a bit hesitant to say but added, "The opportunity to come together has always been there but whether it will happen is yet to be seen. We will have to have a platform that will motivate the people and determine the conduct of the party, the issues, and what will be accomplished to serve the people. What politicians do after elected is what is important. Unity will be based on the cohesive goals we can reach."

Grady Wilson, councilman-at-large, Randy Bullock, councilman for the 1st ward, and Frank Meeks, 2nd and 3rd ward councilman were Republicans running unopposed to represent their party in the November election.

PLAINFIELD ELECTION RESULTS

Council At-large (Unexpired term to 1992)	Republicans: Randy Bullock 63
Democrats: Malcolm Dunn 1,566 Ken Scott 1036	Council 2nd & 3rd At-large (One four-year seat)
Republicans: Grady Wilson 358	Democrats: Peggy Ann Wilds 924 Robert Ferraro 503
Council 1st Ward (One four-year seat)	Republicans: Frank Meeks III (I) 277
Democrats: Elizabeth Urquhart (I) 432	Turnout: 3,203

Urban League of Essex County hosts Rite of Spring Mardi Gras Gala

Dinner Dance will salute NJ
Commissioner of Community
Affairs Primas for public service

NEWARK—The Urban League of Essex County will hold a festive New Orleans style Mardi Gras gala on Friday, June 15 at the Sheraton Plaza Drive, Two Meadowlands Plaza in East Rutherford. The dinner dance, which begins with a Cajun theme cocktail party at 7:00 p.m., will also include a roving magician, palm reader, and numerologist.

ULEC will also honor Melvin R. Primas, Jr., newly appointed Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs for the state of New Jersey, with the Whitney M. Young award for his outstanding career in community service. Between 1981 and 1989, Primas served as the mayor of the city of Camden. Prior to his recent appointment, Primas held positions on several state boards including the Commission on Employment and training and the State Planning Commission.

Primas will be the keynote speaker at the dinner.

In addition, "Rite of Spring Mardi Gras Gala" will present special awards to three notable local organizations and corporations. The 100 Black Men of New Jersey will receive the Wilbur Ashby Outstanding Organization of the Year Award. This award

will be accepted by the organization's president William Giles. Blue Cross/Blue Shield will receive the 1990 Corporation Award for Community Service. This award will be accepted by Herb Smith, Director of Equal Employment, The Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Service Award will be presented to the law firm of McCarter and English for their outstanding work with the community.

ULEC is the largest African-American social service agency in the state of New Jersey. Founded in 1917, ULEC has received high marks from state and corporate entities for its innovative work in job training, youth programs, pediatric AIDS services, housing for the homeless, teen mothers' programs, college scholarship projects, and quality day care. Marvin T. Johnson is the acting president/CEO of ULEC.

A portion of the "Rite of Spring Mardi Gras Gala" has been underwritten by Nabisco Brands, Inc.

Tickets for the dinner dance gala are \$100.00 for individuals and \$125.00 for corporations. These are tax deductible. For more information, call ULEC at (201) 624-6660.



Nearly 300 die-hard bicyclists were out in force to ride in the "Pedals of Hope Bike Tour," sponsored by the American Cancer Society (Essex County Unit) recently held on the Montclair College campus. The registration fee, donations and all of the pledges raised by the riders went toward cancer research and support services for the Essex County Unit.

Orange receives \$283,000 for East Ward Rehab

ORANGE, NJ — Mayor Robert L. Brown announced the receipt of \$283,000 awarded in state grant monies for the preservation of the East Ward area and the rehabilitation of fifteen (15) owner occupied scattered site substandard units. The monies received are a part of a grant made possible through the Neighborhood Preservation Balanced Housing Program Division of Housing and Development of the State. The City's East Ward Neighborhood Revitalization Project preservation Balance Housing Program is funded by the Department of Community Affairs. Under the agreement the City of Orange Township and the State Department of Community Affairs have committed \$283,000 in Balanced Housing funds for the 1990 grant period.

In information provided, Donald S. Barth director of

Housing of Orange and Coordinator of the neighborhood Preservation Balanced Housing Program stated that the program is open to owner occupants of one to four family homes. To be considered for participation in the program residents must live with in the target neighborhood. Occupants of eligible units, meeting income limits and property is certified by the City's Construction Official as substandard may receive a six year deferred payment loan for revitalizing property. The program in its second phase currently has a waiting list of over 97 applicants.

The streets included in the target area include:

All of Canfield Street; all of Elm Street; all of Glenwood Ave.; all of Hillier St.; Main St. North side only from North Center St. to East Orange border; New St. from North Center to Park St.; North Center St. east side to St. to Park

Ave.; Park Ave. south side only from North Center to East Orange border; all of Park St.; Snyder St. from North Center St. to Park St.; all of Wallace St.; all of Ward St.;

Flag day in Plainfield

PLAINFIELD — Mayor Harold W. Mitchell announced a call for residents to join in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 p.m. EDT on Flag Day, June 14, 1990. Mayor Mitchell stated, "Designating a special time for all Americans to join in affirming our belief in the freedoms represented by our flag is an idea launched by the National Flag Day Foundation in Baltimore, Maryland. Begun through a volunteer effort in 1990, the 'Pledge for the Pledge' has gained widespread support from the President and Congress, state and local leaders, and civic, business, service, and educational groups nationwide." Mayor Mitchell

William St. from North Center St. to East Orange border.

For further information contact the Balanced Housing Program Office at 266-4062.

further stated, "The effect of this simple ceremony each year would be a stimulating patriotic experience at home and a sign of unity abroad." "This concept transcends age, race, religion, national origin and geographic differences." "I am proud of Plainfield's participation in this nationwide program."

A special program called "Flag Day Plainfield" will be held at City Hall, Thursday, June 14, 1990, at 4:00 p.m. At that time, Mayor Mitchell will be unfurling the American Flag presented to the City on behalf of the Plainfield Historical Society and the Board Members of the Plainfield Public Library.

CITY PEOPLE

A salute to graduates of African heritage



SALUTING AFRICAN HERITAGE. The Black Administrators, Alumni, Faculty, Staff and Student Organization (BAAFSO) of Jersey City State College recently held its fourth annual "Salute to Graduates of African Heritage" program. Debra Smith (right) of Newark, recipient of BAAFSO's Academic Excellence Award, and Henry Burton III (second from right) of Plainfield, recipient of the Organization's African/Afro-American Studies Minor Award, were among the JCSC students congratulated by (from left): keynote speaker Dr. Willie Mae Coran, a trustee of Jersey City State College; Dr. William Maxwell, JCSC president; and Gayle R. Ford, BAAFSO facilitator.

Dunn & Sons wins top food service award

CHICAGO—Ellsworth Air Force Base (AFB), Rapid City, South Dakota, won the coveted 1990 John L. Hennessy Trophy at last weekend's National Restaurant Association meeting here, for having the Air Force's best food service operation, the service of which was provided by minority-owned Dunn & Sons Maintenance Corporation of Plainfield.

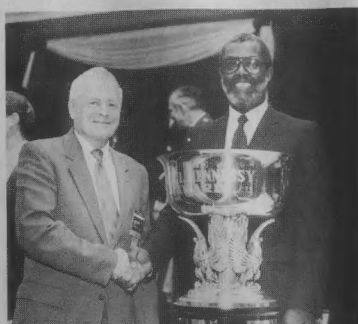
According to Dunn & Sons' president/founder Malcolm R. Dunn, the Award goes to the best service program of the Air Force's 126 worldwide bases in the Mobile Air Strategic Air (SAC) Tactical Air and Space Commands. Each command has its own annual award winners in both single and multiple-facility categories, which then compete for the all-Air Force Hennessy Trophy.

This year marks the first time that Ellsworth, the largest SAC base, has won this prestigious award; however, having worked together since 1982, the Ellsworth/Dunn & Sons combo has also won the SAC's own R.T. Rhiney, Jr. Food Service Award for an unprecedented last four consecutive years.

"For 18 hours daily at Ellsworth's four dining halls, we at Dunn & Sons provide food preparation and disbursement services to include salad preparation, food parishing, clean-up and cashing service for more than 2400 meals daily, or 876,000 meals annually," cited John W. Bennett who, prior to becoming Dunn's site manager, ended his 32-year Air Force career as Ellsworth's chief petty officer.

Malcolm Dunn credits the company's participation in Ellsworth's food service superiority to Bennett who, by joining Dunn & Sons in 1983, "was truly a blessing in disguise. His expertise and established reputation helped to create the type of cooperativeness that has brought this military/civilian joint venture successfully together."

Founded in 1972, Dunn & Sons Maintenance Corporation is a janitorial maintenance/food service company headquartered in Plainfield, that provides a full range of custodial, maintenance as well as food service operations to a host of commercial, military and transportation installations throughout the United States and the West Indies.



South Dakota's Ellsworth Air Force Base was awarded the coveted 1990 Hennessy Trophy for having the best food service operations of all the service's 126 worldwide bases, the service of which was provided by minority-owned Dunn & Sons Maintenance Corp. of Plainfield. Malcolm R. Dunn (right), president of Dunn & Sons, congratulates Dunn's Ellsworth site manager John W. Bennett, during the Trophy awarding at the National Restaurant Assoc. meeting in Chicago.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, June 7

RAHWAY—The Association for Retarded Citizens of Union County will hold its annual meeting at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 80 W. Inman Avenue in Rahway. The program will begin at 6:30 p.m. and will include an informal buffet supper. Cost for the evening is \$7 per person. For more information call 754-5910.

Thursday, June 12

NEW BRUNSWICK—A free public seminar on "Personal Injury Law" will be held at the New Jersey Law Center in New Brunswick. For advance registration call 201-249-5000 Ext. 208.

Wednesday, June 13

PLAINFIELD—The board meeting of the Commissioners of the Housing Authority of Plainfield will be held at the Liberty Village Community Room, 205 Liberty Street at 5:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 14

UNION—Avoiding potentially crippling environmental liabilities and complying with environmental regulations will be the subject of the half-day conference at Kean College from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. For further information call 201-272-1166.

Sunday, June 17

WESTFIELD—Father's Day Flea Market from 9-4 at the Westfield Railroad Station, South Avenue, Westfield sponsored by the Westfield Neighborhood Council.

June 25-August 29

EDISON—A variety of specially-designed educational, recreational and social skills programs for children and teenagers with developmental delays and special needs are being offered this summer through the Johnson Rehabilitation Institute of JFK Medical Center. To arrange an appointment or for more information call 201-548-7610.

June 27-July 1

NEWARK—DIAL, Inc. (Disabled, Information, Awareness and Living), is seeking volunteers for the Rose City Festival sponsored by Unico, a community service organization. Volunteers are needed all five days to man game of chance wheels, and a dime toss game. For information call Armstead Johnson, Executive Director at 201-824-4009.

July 2

WESTFIELD—A support group for people caring for elderly or chronically ill relatives meets on the first Monday of each month at 8 p.m. in the parish center of St. Helen's Church on Lamberts Mill Road. Call 233-8757.

July 16-20

TOMS RIVER—The Ocean County College Community Education Department will offer "Getting Ready for School (Ages 3-5) Monday through Friday from 10 to 11 a.m. Sounds, colors, literature and music will be some of the methods used to help young students prepare for school. For information call 201-255-0404.

TOMS RIVER

—The Ocean County College Community Education Department will offer "Kids in the Kitchen" (Ages 8-15) is designed to present the latest in microwave cooking techniques to children and teens. Classes meeting Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Call 201-255-0404.

Tuesday, July 17

TOMS RIVER—The Ocean County College Community Education Department will offer "Starting a Bed & Breakfast" from 7 to 9 p.m. Beverly Conover of Conover's Bay Head Inn will lead the seminar. For more information or to register call 255-0404.

Friday, July 20

TOMS RIVER—The Ocean County College Community Education Department will offer "The Vikings" (Ages 9-15) which will explore the mythology, ships, sailing skills and sacrifices of the Viking. Call 201-255-0404 for information.

August 8-22

WAYNE—Discover the art, architecture and drama of Greece during a two-week educational "Greek Journey," sponsored by William Paterson College. Trip includes four days of sightseeing at the classical sites of Greece and a three-day cruise to the islands of Mykonos and Rhodes. For cost and additional information call 201-595-2436.

Plainfield resident becomes East Orange postmaster

Janet Hardison, a Plainfield resident, has been appointed Postmaster of East Orange by Newark Division General Manager/Postmaster James C. Walton.

The swearing in ceremony was held June 5 at the East Orange Post Office.

Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies host luncheon

The Plainfield Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Coalition will host a meeting luncheon on Thursday, June 7, 1990, 12 noon to 2 p.m., at Adrian's Restaurant (1100 E. Second Street).

The guest speaker, Mrs. Rosalind Thielen-Rodd, will address the subject, "Minority and Child Health Issues — Improving Our Chances." Mrs. Thielen-Rodd is Executive Assistant, Division of Epidemiology and Disease Control for the New Jersey Department of Health. She is also an Executive Staff Member for the Department of Health's Minority Health Initiative and the Commissioner's Advisory Committee on Minority Health.

Plainfield's Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Coalition is comprised of a group of health professionals, local businesses, voluntary and governmental agencies and health consumers in the City of Plainfield. The Coalition's goal is to reduce the infant mortality and morbidity rates among childbearing Plainfield women. The Coalition achieves its goals through technical assistance, the initiation and co-sponsorship of public awareness and education campaigns, and the funding of public health projects.

For more information, please contact Pepsi Charles, Coordinator, at 753-3388.

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Kean College renames Urban Scholars Program

UNION, N.J.—The Kean College of New Jersey Urban Scholars Program, which provides full scholarships each year for about 20 inner city students, has been renamed the Dr. James E. Dorsey Scholars Program.

Dorsey was the first full-time minority faculty member employed at Kean College, formerly Newark State College, where he was a professor of music.

A distinguished scholar, he

held a doctor of education degree from Columbia University and a doctor of philosophy degree from the University of Pennsylvania, which previously granted him a bachelor of music degree and a master of arts degree.

He first received a bachelor of arts degree from Lincoln University, Lincoln University, Pa., the oldest institution of higher learning in the U.S. for African-Americans.

Before joining what was then Newark State College in 1961, Dorsey headed the music department at Lincoln University and other collegiate music departments. At Kean he served on the Faculty Senate and was president of the Faculty Association. He retired in June of 1976 and died Aug. 8, 1981.

According to Dr. Joseph S. Darden Jr., Union professor of

"Kean College takes great

pride in the students who are enrolled at the college as Dr. James E. Dorsey Scholars and offers unique opportunities for these students to become future leaders at the College and as citizens of the state of New Jersey," Darden said.

"The late Dr. Dorsey is certainly an outstanding role model for these young collegians, exemplifying the highest of quality in scholarship, teaching and com-

munity service," Darden continued.

"Those already in the program and this fall's incoming new class of scholars will do themselves and the college proud as they follow in his footsteps," Darden asserted.

health and director of minority enrollment, the Urban Scholars Program was established in 1987 by the Board of Trustees.

Darden said the program recognizes 20 graduates of selected New Jersey urban high schools each year. They are chosen by Kean College from among students who are recommended by their high schools, based on eligibility criteria for academic performance (top 10 percent-of-class), leadership, and potential to contribute to the Kean College student community.

If an accident aggravates a pre-existing injury

by Amos Gern, Dawn Gern, Dunsen & Weinstein

People who have an existing medical condition, and who are injured again in an accident can still pursue available remedies to recoup their legitimate damages.

One of the law's oldest adages is that "you take the plaintiff as he or she comes." This means that accident victims are entitled to compensation based on the effect that the injury has on them.

For example, a stoic individual with high tolerance for pain is entitled to less than someone who becomes truly physically and psychologically devastated by the same injury.

This is also true for an injured plaintiff who has a pre-existing disability that does not prevent employment or other activity unless a new accident should occur.

If the second accident results in total disability, then the plaintiff is entitled to recover all of the damages resulting from that accident.

However, the law does require an injured party to bear the burden of apportioning damages between the prior condition and the current injury. Your attorney can make this judgment if you tell him candidly about all prior accidents, medical conditions and injuries.

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UMDNJ gives high school scholars head start on college

Nine students who want to attend the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ) spent their senior year in high school working toward acceptance and got a head start on their future profession at the same time.

The seniors were the first to enroll in a unique cooperative education program shared by the UMDNJ-School of Health Related Professions and Bloomfield High School. The first of its kind and now a national model, the program allows students to take university-level dental assisting courses and serve paid internships in dental practices while completing high school.

The students earned 14 college credits since September, which may be accepted for advanced standing at the UMDNJ-School of Health Related Professions' Dental Assisting Program. Working part-time in local dental offices throughout the year also helped prepare students for the 300 clinical hours they will complete as university students next year.

Dental assisting has been identified as one of the top health manpower needs in New Jersey and the United States.

"Shortages of dental assistants in New Jersey are incredible," said Carolyn Breen, director of the Dental Assisting Program at the Newark-based UMDNJ-School of Health Related Professions. "The state Department of Labor predicts that New Jersey will have 2,150 new dental assisting positions by the year 2000. And similar needs are projected nationwide."

Shortages of these trained assistants may explain the enthusiastic support the Bloomfield program receives from area dentists. Their requests for part-time interns outnumber available students by nearly eight to one, and five New Jersey dental associations provided funding for the UMDNJ dental assisting program at the high school. Mrs. Breen said the program's major expenditures were for uniforms, books and supplies, all given to students free-of-charge.

Records show that students in dental assisting and other health careers cooperative education courses at Bloomfield High School worked an average of 721 hours during their senior year, earned approximately \$3,567 and contributed about \$535 each in state and federal taxes.

UMDNJ dental assisting cooperative education students are required to take Emergency and Clinical Care, Dental Science I, Communications for the Health Professional and Health Services Colloquium I in the first semester; and Dental Science II, Practice Management, Health Services Colloquium II and psychology I in the second semester. Five professors from the UMDNJ-School of Health Related Professions teach the courses at Bloomfield High School. After graduating from high school, the students will divide their time between classes at the UMDNJ-School of

Health Related Professions and continued clinical training in dental offices near their homes.

Duties students perform in dental offices during their two years of part-time dental assisting employment may include preparing patients for treatment, sterilizing and selecting instruments, gathering materials and equipment, maintaining the treatment room, mounting radiographs, instructing patients in oral hygiene, managing the office and performing basic laboratory tasks.

Dental assisting students who graduate from UMDNJ may apply for state registration to per-

form expanded functions, provided by the New Jersey Dental Auxiliaries Act.

Mrs. Breen said preliminary discussions are underway for UMDNJ-School of Health Related Professions to initiate additional health career programs, including dental assisting, for Newark high school seniors.

For information about the UMDNJ-Bloomfield High School Dental Assisting Program, call Carolyn Breen at (201) 456-4523 or Bloomfield High's Coordinator of Cooperative Education Health Careers Programs, Pam Rehm, at 201-680-8668.

William Paterson offers summer writing institute for teachers

Three week-long seminars designed for teachers of English and other teachers who want to integrate writing more fully into their classrooms will be offered this summer at William Paterson College in Wayne.

"The Writing Institute: Summer 1990" at WPC features courses in Teaching Writing as Process, July 9 to 14; Teaching Writing as Process II, July 16 to 21; and Poetry Writing Seminar, July 23 to 28, each offered for three graduate credits. The fee for each course is \$367 for New Jersey residents, \$427 for non-residents. Early registration for these popular courses, which have limited enrollment, is advised. Classes will be held Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Student Center on campus.

Teaching Writing as Process

is a practical workshop which introduces many new techniques of teaching composition and using writing to generate learning. Recent research on the writing process will be discussed. Instructors are Virgie E. Granger, former director of freshman composition at WPC and a pioneer in the development of teaching writing as process; and Jim Hauser, an associate professor of English at the college and director of the Northern New Jersey Writing Consortium. Teaching Writing as Process II, is an advanced seminar for teachers and administrators who want to apply the principles learned "Writing as Process" to the development of writing or curricula for their schools.

The instructor is Donna Perry, an associate professor of English at WPC and author of the

forthcoming anthology *Teaching Writing: Pedagogy and Questions of Equity*.

Priscilla Orr, who has published in *Southern Poetry Review*, *Croton Review*, *Worcester Review*, *Footwork* and other literary magazines, will teach the Poetry Writing Seminar. Orr, who teaches and directs the Academic Support Center at WPC, will conduct a workshop exploring issues of craft and poetic form. Writers will share their works-in-progress.

The Summer Writing Institute is sponsored by WPC's School of Humanities, Department of English and Center for Continuing Education. For additional information, contact the Center for Continuing Education, (201) 595-2436.

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History grant funds available

Grant money for community history projects is available through the Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs. Non funds supplied by the County Block Grants Program of the New Jersey Historical Commission, a division of the Department of State.

According to Freeholder Walter E. Boright, "Organizations based in Union County which need help financing projects designed to bring local and county history to the public may apply."

While historical organizations are the usual recipients of the grants, any non-profit agency, institution or organization interested in doing a project reflecting some aspect of local history may be eligible and is welcome to inquire.

Applications are available for projects to be carried out in 1991. The application deadline has been extended to July 20, 1990, allowing organizations additional time to plan projects and apply

for funds. Staff at the Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs are available to assist organizations with any questions they may have about the grant and possible projects.

Eligible activities include public programs such as exhibitions, conferences, symposia, lectures, workshops, and film and television projects. Projects which conserve historical materials, involve oral history, research, or projects with students are also eligible. Funds must go to organizations, and cannot be used for structural renovations.

Limited funds are available, therefore the final selection of applications will be based on a competitive process. Applications must be received at the Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs by 4:30 p.m., Friday, July 20, 1990.

To receive an application, information or assistance, contact the Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, 633 Pearl Street, Elizabeth, NJ, 07202, 201-558-2550.

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COMMENTARY

Editorial

Once again Plainfield has seen another primary election come and go where partisan politics tended to overshadow the issues.

It is now time for the sides to pull together. The victims of the in-fighting happen to be the citizens of Plainfield. If it doesn't stop the citizenry should continue to make their voices heard saying quite loudly Enough is enough!

We are looking for a progressive Plainfield, not partisan politics.

Even though the Green-Mitchell rivalry stood, this election was a credit to the candidates themselves. It was refreshing to see, in this particular campaign, the caliber of candidates who came forward to run; who, through their grasp and articulation of the issues, showed that they had Plainfield's interests first.

Hopefully in the next election the issues critical to Plainfield will take precedence over the partisan and ego politics of the various candidates' affiliations.

If you truly feel as a resident of Plainfield that you deserve better, then you should continue to demand better. Continue to hold those who you elected accountable for pulling Plainfield together, for keeping all the citizens' interests foremost (not just a few select individuals), and for keeping their campaign promises during their time in office.

It is time for our elected officials now to get about the business of government for all the people.

As I See It...

Commentary by Connie Woodruff

The death of Dr. John V. Alexander this week, will be mourned by those who availed themselves of his medical expertise and those who benefited from his volunteer service to the community of Orange and New Jersey at-large.

To know Dr. John was to love him for his outspoken frankness, his fierce defense of the disadvantaged and his ability to be a master of languages in articulating the cause of justice for the mentally, physically and educationally handicapped.

John Alexander was indeed a role model for aspiring young students and he was a role model for adults seeking to share monetary and academic advantages with the less fortunate.

He was not born poor but had an empathy with the poor. He was never disadvantaged but sympathized with those not to the minor born. He was not uneducated but constantly concerned for the miseducated in his community.

When Dr. Alexander spoke out against discrimination of minorities, you knew instinctively he did not have a personal or hidden agenda. He defended the rights of minorities because he truly believed a bias-free New Jersey is in the best interest of all the people in this state.

During his career at the University of Medicine and Dentistry for many years. It was a comforting existence for hundreds of Black and Hispanic students in the colleges of Medicine and Dentistry. Through Dr. A's efforts and encouragement, many students had the benefit of private tutoring, a service that helped many graduate and enter private practice sooner than expected.

It is a fitting and proper remembrance of him that at the family request, donations be made to Children's Hospital of New Jersey, the institution near and dear to his heart. The hospital is located at 15 S. 9th Street, Newark, 07107.

Congratulations to Newark's Barbara George, the first Black woman promoted to the rank of Sgt. in the Newark Police Department. She shared promotion honors with brother-in-law/Sgt. Joseph Foushee and both were more than enthusiastically applauded by Deputy Mayor Geraldine George Foushee, also a member of Newark's Finest and currently on leave.

Just before he took off for Japan, Newark mayor Sharpe James paused long enough to appoint GIGI Foushee Deputy Mayor and to promote long time city hall Civil Services employee Delores Henry-Metz, a Special Assistant to the Mayor, a position previously held by the late Delores McDaniels.

Henry-Metz who had years of corporate experience before joining the James' administration four years ago, is expected to be liaison between city hall and the senior citizen programs and to expand the mayor's senior outreach facilities and projects as well as to coordinate many of the administration's special events.

Governor Florio is looking better and better to civil rights advocates who were concerned about appointments to sensitive positions in government.

Recently he sanctioned the appointment of Clifford Gregory Stewart, a former assistant deputy public advocate, as director of the Division of Civil Rights.

During his campaign for governor, Florio reiterated his strong commitment to renewed interest in and strengthening of civil rights in New Jersey. According to Attorney General Robert Del Tufo, Greg Stewart has nine years of "frontline experience" in public interest litigation, taught a constitutional law seminar and supervised student litigation projects for the Constitutional Litigation Clinic of Rutgers Law School in Newark and was a staff attorney for the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under the Law in Washington, D.C.

Stewart, a graduate of Rutgers Law School, also holds a bachelor's and master's degree in political science from Rutgers where he was an Eagleton Fellow at the Eagleton Institute of Politics.

Admitted to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court, the 3rd

J.S. District Court of Appeals, the U.S. District Court and the N.J. Supreme Court, Stewart has tried a variety of equal protection issues, including a class action suit to get municipal services for black residents of five towns in North Carolina.

He is a member of the N.J. State Bar Association, the American Bar Association and participates in the work of the N.J. NAACP's Public Policy Research Institute.

Who says old politician's like old soldiers just fade away? Not true. At least former Essex County Sheriff John Cryan.

Cryan is Essex County Executive Nick Amato's new Chief of Staff, filling the job vacated last year by John Alati who resigned to open his own consulting firm.

Cryan had really not disappeared from the political scene. In recent years he served as a commissioner with the county board of elections and will resign that post when a successor is named.

John Cryan has been among Essex County elected officials since he was elected assemblyman in 1965, serving one term and then appointed county undersheriff. He moved from undersheriff to sheriff when he was elected on the Democratic ticket in 1970 and subsequently re-elected in 1973 and 1979.

His political star took a nose dive in 1978 when he lost the Democratic nomination for county executive to Peter Shapiro who went on to be elected the county's first executive in the November election.

Next week Newark and several other state municipalities will have a run-off election for city officials.

Despite the hushhush of the May contest that left only the at-large candidates running in Newark, the interim campaign has been low-key but has stirred a lot of personal animosity among some of the candidates.

Some of the candidates have not recovered from the shock of bracketing Gary Harris, Ralph Grant and Donald Tucker and this has shown no signs of embracing a fourth running mate. The odds are definitely in their favor because they are incumbents and can draw on each other's strengths of money and

Elsewhere in the campaigns it appears to be every man and

woman for him and herself.

For the first time in a dozen years Marie Vitale is not an official member of the incumbent team. Mildred Crum is running harder than ever to write a new page in Newark politics.

Carol Graves appears to have union forces in the city solidly behind her candidacy, especially those in educational circles. She recently again won the endorsement of Charles Marcianite, chief of the state's AFL-CIO who urged members of all unions living in Newark, to vote for the popular president of the Newark Teacher's Union. It is alleged that Donald Bradley, who easily won re-election as South Ward councilman, is a Graves supporter. Bradley is a substance abuse counselor in the Newark school system.

Victor DeLuca, a familiar name in Newark politics, appears to be running a rather lack luster campaign for many reasons we can go into at a later date.

Luis Quintana, on leave as Deputy Mayor of Newark, is concentrating heavily on a huge Hispanic turnout, as well as widespread support among black voters. Quintana is applying the age-old strategy of knocking on doors and lining up supporters to "pull out" voters on election day.

In Atlantic City, Mayor Jim Ushay has an excellent chance to be re-elected but the city will definitely be divided. A small, but strong coterie of blacks are supporting opposition candidate

councilman Whelan who has invaded the black precincts in his search for votes. Ushay has decided to concentrate on the three black wards for his support but that's a calculated risk because there were many black defectors in the May election and nobody knows how these "independents" will vote next Tuesday.

Assemblyman John Watson of Mercer, reminds us that Douglas H. Palmer is very much in the running to become Trenton's first black mayor, ever. Last week Palmer was endorsed by another former Trenton resident, the Hon. David Dinkins, Mayor of New York City at an event that drew hundreds of the curious to the Masonic Temple in a history-making campaign rally.

If successful, Palmer could swell the ranks of black power in the offices of mayor, thus making it easy for at least one mayor nominee to have his eye on the state house right and possibly four years hence.

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Politicians, rather than taking the time to clearly articulate and explain the real issues involved, are catering to the highly charged emotions which are being expressed often times without careful thought or reflection. It is important that the attack not fall or the correctness of establishing and supporting rehabilitation programs, or on providing help to the persons who are attempting to rebuild their lives. The rhetoric must be carefully scrutinized by all of us, and we must insist that the leaders cease their manipulation for political purposes around this issue.

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The photograph to the left of Science High's multi-talented sophomores Tiffany Weatherford was inaccurately identified in the May 30 issue of CITY NEWS. Our apologies to Tiffany and keep up the good work.

Quote of the Week

Our most important task is the guidance and inspiration we can give to young people through the process of education. By providing theories and concepts in all areas of knowledge we can hope to develop the leaders of tomorrow. Hopefully they can appreciate the beauty of a people, the importance of different cultures, the logic of science and the lessons of history.

Jewel Plummer Cobb



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Rehab and recovery — Where?

by Sharon Khadijah Vincent



President George Bush stated that he wanted a "kinder and gentler America." Well, based on what we have witnessed during the last few years, America has become increasingly insensitive to the needs of the homeless, poor, elderly, sick, etc. We seem to be unable to demonstrate the compassion and understanding which is needed to tackle the problems of alcohol and drug addiction, mental illness and depression, which plague our society. Politicians and other so-called leaders spout empty rhetoric about these problems, but few are willing to uphold their principles or beliefs in what they state is the solution.

While doctors and researchers have concluded that alcohol and drug abuse are forms of addiction that can be cured—if proper treatment and counseling is obtained—recovering addicts (unless they are wealthy) find themselves often scorned and ostracized from society. It's sad that their success in finding help and beating their addiction often will be based on a class or race issue. For example, it is accepted as being the "in" thing for a celebrity or well known public figure to check themselves into the Betty Ford clinic, or some other well known substance abuse treatment center to get help for their problem. When they are released poor-

ple readily accept them back into society. Many write books telling us about their problems and how they worked to overcome them; all of which is accepted, for the most part. These people don't have to worry about getting mainstreamed back into society, or denied the opportunity to continue with their jobs and careers. They don't have to worry about where to live, and they don't have to wonder about whether or not their pain and suffering will be used by an opportunistic politician to misdirect the public's legitimate concerns.

If you are poor though, your options are very limited. You can't afford private clinics or doctors. You don't have press agents to work on repairing your public image. Usually if you get treatment, it's after your life has been so ravaged and devastated that you have landed in jail or half dead in an emergency room of a hospital. Since our country has not made a firm commitment to provide for adequate facilities for rehabilitation and detoxifica-

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tion, you may or may not receive the proper help which is needed.

For the last few years people who do receive help though, they successfully complete their rehabilitation and are ready to work themselves back into our society. Unfortunately, they have very few options. Usually they have to rely on government sponsored programs and volunteer programs which are supported by individuals who have made a commitment to finance these types of programs because they understand the need to provide help to people who may be less fortunate than themselves.

In Plainfield the serious issues of rehabilitation and recovery are being overlooked and deliberately confused, as politicians grandstand and incoherently use these sensitive and important issues for political purposes. The issue surrounding the establishment of a halfway house for people recovering from drug and alcohol abuse should not be used to slander and malign the positive elements of these types of programs. The real concern should be why is Plainfield expected to be the place where these houses are located in disproportionate numbers as compared to other communities in our state? All communities must be willing to accept the responsibilities of working on these problems. Homeowners are legitimately alarmed about how the impact of these houses might affect their property values in their neighborhoods. It sadly goes back to the intolerance in our society, because I'm sure if Elizabeth Taylor, Lizzy Minelli or Ed McMahon moved next door (all admitted recovering alcohol and drug abusers), no one would have any problems. In fact, property values would probably go soaring

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Thousands to converge in NY for Bible Way Church World-wide 33rd Confab

The Bible Way Church World-wide 33rd Convocation will convene at the Grand Hyatt Regency, 42nd Street and Lexington Avenue June 28th through July 5, 1990.

The Empire State Diocese is hosting this year's event, and Bishop Huie L. Rogers, Vice Presiding Bishop & Pastor of Greater Bible Way Temple - Brooklyn, NY is the Host Diocesan.

Apostle Smallwood E. Williams, Presiding Bishop of the Bible Way Church World Wide, has pastored Bible Way Church of Washington, D.C. for 63 years, with 42 in the radio and TV ministry.

The 33rd Convocation is expected to be the largest religious event in the city this year. More than 12,000 delegates are expected to converge in the Big Apple June 28 to address religious

and social issues affecting the membership, as well as the African American community.

Not much has changed over the past decade, according to Bishop Williams, 83. High on the agenda for this year's gathering are issues and problems which continue to plague the majority of people who are economically and spiritually deprived.

Solutions and tangible ways to assist in the war on drugs, homelessness, AIDS, and other dilemmas that affect African Americans disproportionately, will be several areas of concern. Thousands of delegates from across the nation, including Africa, Europe, South America, and the Caribbean, will be participating in the confab. Greater Bible Way Church World Wide's compassion and concern for those who are less fortunate, has re-

sulted in numerous projects and programs which continues to make a positive difference in the lives of many. The Church has erected 240 affordable housing units in Washington, DC, and implements tutorial programs and drug educational programs throughout the states. In addition, the church provides special assistance to the homeless, and is actively involved in assistance to victims of AIDS.

Bishop Huie L. Rogers states that "We (Bible Way Church World Wide) are involved in the holistic approach to the total man - body, soul and spirit". He goes on to say that "With the on-going rise in racial violence and hatred, the African American male's endangered species status, displacement of entire families, child abuse, broken homes, border babies, and more there is much work to be done; and we're inviting all citizens of good-will to join us for this most urgent religious and humanitarian event". For information, call (718) 774-0401 or (718) 773-8295

Orange Mayor remembers Jane Shaw devoted city employee

Orange, N.J. - A brief ceremony was held in the Mayor's Office in Orange, N.J. in loving memory of Jane Shaw resident of Orange for twenty-five years and former Coordinator of the Office of Older Adult Services for ten years. Her passing on July 23, 1987 was according to Mayor Brown of Orange was a great loss to the city. A proclamation was read in her memory and a plaque was presented to her daughter, Nancy Scher which read, "In Memory of Jane Shaw-We will never forget you, your kindness and love on in our hearts...Friends." The plaque will be hung in Orange City Hall. "Jane Shaw exemplified the attributes of a true community leader by advocating many services for our senior citizens community such as; the Friendly Visitor Program for the homebound and handicapped," expressed Mayor Robert L. Brown in the proclamation read in her memory.

Jane Shaw was born in Shreveport, Louisiana on January 14, 1913 and graduated from Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, Mass. in 1932. She moved to Essex County in 1937 residing in South Orange prior to

moving to Orange twenty-five years ago. She was the wife of the late John J. Shaw, M.D. and the mother of Nancy Scher and John M. Shaw, M.D. and grandmother of Susan A. Scher, David A. Scher, Michael Shaw and Stephen Shaw.

Mrs. Shaw during her tenure worked with community agencies particularly the Essex County Division on Aging to develop programs to enhance the quality of life of the senior citizens in Orange. She served for many years on the Board of Trustees of the Community Mental Health Center of Orange, Maplewood and Millburn from which she received the Center's distinguished Service Award. She was also a member of the Board of the Directors of the United Way of Essex County and the Jewish Family Services of Metro West in Essex and Morris Counties.

Among those attending the ceremony were Tom Henderson, Coordinator of the Urban Enterprise Zone representing the Mayor, Mary Holland Director of Nursing for the town of Orange; Nancy Scher, Marilyn Smith Coordinator of the Office of Older Adults; Joseph Forzino, Director of the Orange Department of Community Affairs.

Urban League/Jersey City Housing Authority Graduate first substance abuse peer counselors

Jersey City - Twenty young people from the Montgomery Gardens, Curries Woods, and Booker T. Washington Projects will make history on Friday June 8, 1990. That evening they will graduate from the Urban League/Jersey City Housing Authority's Peer Counselor Substance Abuse Awareness and Prevention Program, the first of its kind in the state. The program is called "SOMEBODY CARES ABOUT MY FUTURE". The Peer Counselors spent six Saturdays in all day intensive training with Mr. Tah Gray, Jr., (Certified B-COAP) and Mr. Tyrone K. Laws (Certified B-COAP) of AMEN INC. of Scotch Plains, New Jersey.

During the training the youngsters explored issues such as drug awareness, dealing with anger, sexuality, decision making strategies, assertiveness training, and leadership recognition skills. Many of the sessions were videotaped and photographed. The Graduation is open to the public

and will take place at the Hudson County Vocational Technical School in its Cafeteria at 525 Montgomery St., Jersey City, NJ.

The Urban League Coordinator for the program, Mrs. Eola J. Jett, is an accomplished life-long Jersey City resident and holds a B.S. in Marketing/Management from St. Peter's College, an M.B.A. from Fordham University in New York, and is a Jersey Journal Woman of Achievement. Mr. Gray has an MSW Degree in Psychology's Certified Alcohol/Drug Counselor, and a Certified Relapse Prevention Specialist. Mr. Laws is the Director of ARC (Association of Retarded Citizens), a Certified Alcohol Acupuncture Specialist, and holds an MS Degree in Communication. Ms. Yvette Morris is the Program Coordinator for the Jersey City Housing Authority and a graduate of Saint Peter's College.

The Substance Abuse Awareness and Prevention Program will serve as a model for other organizations throughout the nation.

RELIGIOUS EVENTS

Thursday, June 14
NEW YORK—The New Voice of Harlem and the Reverend Dr. Calvin O. Butts, III are presenting a reception in honor of V.Y. Higgins, producer of "Manhattan to Sing" at the Art Gallery of the Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. State Office Building, 125th St. and Adam Clayton Powell Jr. Blvd. The event begins at 6:00 p.m. and donation is \$20.

Volunteer agency needs "Big Brothers"

Plainfield Area—Since expanding its services to children and adolescents in Plainfield, Big Brother/Big Sisters of Somerset County has received dozens of phone calls from parents and social workers interested in enrolling children into the supportive adult role modeling program for kids. Big Brothers/Big Sisters now has an urgent need for responsible, caring men over 21 to serve as Big Brother volunteers.

"We have always had a more difficult time attracting male volunteers than female volunteers, and with all these additional boys coming into our program, we are putting out an urgent plea for male volunteers," said Jennifer Seamans, executive director. "We urge all men in the community, of all ages and races, to consider giving the gift of time and friendship to a young boy in need," said Seamans.

Big Brother/Big Sisters of Somerset County matches children from primarily single-parent families with carefully screened adult role models. The children, many of whom need friendship, affection, advice or guidance, are between the ages of 7 and 18. A "Little" may be having trouble in school or at home, in need of an adult role model, or emotionally deprived.

By creating special two-way friendships between the child and the volunteer, the Big Brother/Big Sister program enables children to develop self-esteem and positive attitudes toward life.

Each volunteer-child match is supervised by a professional caseworker. The caseworker has regular contact with the volunteer, the child and his/her family. Special volunteer trainings are also conducted in order for the volunteer to learn how to deal with possible problems.

For information on becoming a Big Brother volunteer, call 722-3630.

ADVERTISE IN CITY NEWS

Senior citizens living legacy program featuring Golden age Kings and Queens

Harry Webber former Afro-American Newspaperman (Journalist and Photographer) Senior Citizen King of May, 1990; Manuela Nor representing La Casa de Don Pedro, Senior Citizen Queen of May, 1990; Daniel Marcantunio, North Ward Senior Citizens Civic and Social Club, Senior Citizens King of June, 1990 and Mattie Singleton, President of the Bradley Court Senior Citizens, Queen of June, 1990 will be crowned, saluted and honored in the Senior Citizens Living Legacy Program which will take place at the Moore-Court Towers, 1 Court Street, Newark, New Jersey, Friday, June 8, 1990 from 1:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M.

Mother Mamie Stewart (Age 95) and Rev. Charles Williams will represent the Queen and King from the host building and Mother Isabel Meléndez, April City-Wide Queen from the United Community Corporation due to illness in April will also be crowned.

The program which will have an interesting variety of talent displayed will be given in memory of the late Mrs. Dolores McDaniel in the building which was dedicated in Mother Margaret

Moore's name who was Dolores McDaniel's mother.

Mayor Sharpe James appointed Dolores McDaniel, one of his aides as the liaison between the Mayor's Office and the Newark Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Social Services which is the governing body over the city's aging programs enabling her to carry on in Mother Margaret Moore's steps. Mother Moore was a pioneer in the Newark City Wide Senior Citizens Programs.

Dolores McDaniel participated in a variety of local senior citizen events in the churches, schools, community centers, etc.

We want this day to be a day of pleasure and fun for everyone, especially Dolores family and our honorees.

The Living Legacy Program is being sponsored by the Mayor's Senior Citizens Commission, Florence Johnson, Chairperson; Department of Health and Human Services; Callie Foster Struggs, Director; Division of Social Services; Edward L. Haynes, Director Social Work Services and Newark Office on Aging; Philip M. Orlando, Program Coordinator.

Dolores who loved her Golden Agers and had great interest in the cultural arts, music (she was a singer), literacy programs, etc., would be elated to know that Dr. Alex Boyd, Director of the Newark Public Library will have Ms. Maria Broga, Assistant Director of Community Library Services, to sign new applicants for library cards, renew old members or answer any questions which one would request to know regarding the Newark Public Library.

A table will also be set up to sign applicants to the National Council of Senior Citizens, Inc.

Newark Welfare Division relocates

NEWARK—The Division of Public Welfare of the Newark Department of Health and Human Services has relocated from 415 to 394 University Ave., Newark. A formal dedication of the new facility is slated for June 1990.

 **We would like to point out that our charter subscription rate of \$10 will end as of June 30, 1990. Subscriptions beginning July 1, 1990 will be \$25.**

City Hall

The mystery of Sarcoidosis

The following narrative is an explanation of the disease, SARCOIDOSIS. It is written by Gracie Davis, who is affected with this disorder. This information was approved and adopted by The Sarcoidosis Family Aid and Research Foundation, Inc., September 24, 1986. The Foundation would like to express their appreciation to Gracie Davis for this report and acknowledges her continuous and unyielding efforts to promote greater awareness of, and more studies in Sarcoidosis.

Most people have some difficulty in pronouncing the word, Sarcoidosis (Sar - coy - do - sis). It is not surprising then, that understanding its symptoms and course. Sarcoidosis has been a mystery since it was first described by Sir Jonathan Hutchinson in 1878.

The first symptom identified was the skin involvement (dermatologic); but doctors soon observed and recorded symptoms involving the bones and eyes.

Later, when radiologic studies (X-RAYS) were developed, abnormalities of the mediastinum (thoracic or chest cavity) and pulmonary organs (lungs) were recognized as the major characteristics of this disease. Such discoveries made it possible to conclude that Sarcoidosis was a disease that could attack any bodily system or organ. Further studies showed that it could also be multisystemic: attacking two or more systems and/or organs simultaneously. It is an inflammatory disease: causing irritation, pain, swelling and heat to affected areas. It can be acute: rising rapidly to its greatest degree and followed by an inactive period of five (5) years or more. When chronic, it is marked by a long duration or by frequent recurrences.

Despite the advanced technological improvements in medicine, Sarcoidosis may still go undiagnosed in certain instances. For example, if a chest X-RAY is taken, and the findings

(free of any noticeable abnormalities), Sarcoidosis may not initially be suspected. In such cases, a person may undergo long periods of suffering before this disease is even suspected, even longer periods are endured before a diagnosis is made.

Abnormalities indicative of Sarcoidosis include, but are not limited to: Sinusitis; Arthritis; Uveitis (eye disorders); Psoriasis (itching/rashes to the skin); Fatigue (unexplainable tiredness or weakness); Erythema (flushing to the skin); Migraines (headaches); Pericarditis or Endomyocarditis (inflammation of the heart); Angina Pectoris (pain in the center of the chest); Dyspnea (shortness of breath on exertion); Hypertension or Hypertension (low or high blood pressure); Hemorrhage, Iron Deficiency or Hemolytic Anemia (disorders of red blood cell components); Leukocytosis (high white blood cell count); Lymph Node Enlargement (growth of rounded (capsule shaped) masses of blood plasma and white blood cell liquids); Fibrosis (formation of scar tissue); Noncaseating Granulomas (formation of granular masses on chronically inflamed tissue); Nonproductive or Productive Cough (dry and nagging or productive with mucus and/or blood); Facial Paralysis (loss of function, feeling or the power of motion); Inflamed and/or enlarged pancreas, liver, kidney, or spleen, etc.

Reports vary on the incidence of Sarcoidosis. Most research indicates that African-American women, ranging in age from twenty to forty (20 to 40), have the highest rate of prevalence and seriousness. Its occurrence,

course, and history of remission differ among races. Exact figures have not been determined to date. Documentation of the locations where statistical data has been obtained and/or studies have been conducted is crucial.

Research verifies that women tend to outnumber men in seeking medical care. Nonwhites are treated in outpatient clinics at a significantly greater rate than whites. The latter has been attributed to economics and health education, combined with the demand for more physician resources. Regardless of the final ratio or figures, Sarcoidosis does not discriminate. It is more common than is publicly realized. It is not, however, contagious.

Treatment is available for

Sarcoidosis, but there is no established cure known. The medication that has been proven to be most effective is Prednisone. It is a corticosteroid that is primarily used to decrease inflammatory responses. Many patients are fortunate: they go into remission (period during which the disease becomes inactive or burns out and relief from pain is gained) without it becoming necessary to take this drug. Prednisone has many potential side effects. They include possible adverse reactions to the brain and nervous system, skin, eyes, ears, nose/throat, digestive system, heart and lungs, muscles, bones, joints, genital and urinary tracts, blood vessels, kidneys and liver. Never. Never. Prednisone may be prescribed in order to combat the high levels of

inflammation and to prevent excessive scar tissue formation.

Even with this treatment, a greater percentage of persons with Sarcoidosis suffer permanent disabilities and withstand chronic, excruciating pain, than is publicly realized and acknowledged.

Having taken a brief look into the disease, Sarcoidosis, it is quite evident that there is a desperate need to increase research in its cause and treatment. To prevent and eliminate the agonizing effects of Sarcoidosis, it is fundamental that the local communities, general public, health educators and medical practitioners be made more aware of its symptoms, and more knowledgeable in the process toward its relief, cure, recovery and prevention.

Seasons of Discontent: Allergy Suffering in New Jersey

Ambrosia. To the Greeks it was known as the food of the gods. To allergists, it is the technical name for ragweed. To the allergy sufferer, it brings, not pleasure, but an all out assault of the senses.

According to Dr. Leonard Bielory, director for Allergy & Immunology at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey-University Hospital in Newark, and co-author of a study on aeroallergens (air-borne allergen) in New Jersey, "ragweed is the single most important cause, qualitatively and quantitatively, of seasonal allergic rhinitis (hay fever) in the United States."

The good news is you won't have to worry about it until mid-August, when it begins pollinating and continues through the early fall. The bad news is, there's plenty of other aeroallergens to make you suffer until then.

If you are a serious allergy sufferer, this may not be news to your nose. Trees, mostly elm and birch in New Jersey, release by early March, peak in May, and continue through early summer. But tree pollen is only the first of many aeroallergens that are to come. The list also includes: grass and weed pollen, molds, as well as the year-round plague of dust mites and animal dander.

Pollination of major plants occurs in sequence. Grasses (blue,

orchard, timothy, and red top grasses start to pollinate in the middle of March, peak in June and continue through July. Grasses are the principal cause of allergies during the spring and early summer, and rank second to seeds in the severity of allergic reactions in the U.S. A second, less intense, grass season occurs during September.

Weed pollen begins in May and continues through October. In New Jersey, ragweed—the most potent aeroallergen—pollinates from mid-August through early fall. Other New Jersey weed pollens include lamb's quarters, cocklebur, plantain, and dock sorrel.

Molds are present all year, including the winter thaw, but predominate from May through October. Animal dander and dust mites are also year-round irritants.

According to Dr. Bielory, there are three strategies for combating allergies: avoidance, medication, and immunotherapy. To see about medication or immunotherapy, he recommends consulting an allergist—a physician with special training in the diagnosis and treatment of allergic disease.

If you suffer from allergic rhinitis, some common sense measures for avoidance are:

whether in your house or car, keep your windows closed and use air conditioning; minimize early morning activity when pollen levels are highest (between 5 a.m. and 10 a.m.); stay indoors when the pollen count is high; choose windy days when pollen and dust are whipped up; take vacations to pollen-free areas, such as beaches. In addition: don't mow lawns or rake leaves; don't hang sheets or clothing outside (they'll collect pollen and molds); and don't grow too many indoor plants (they cause molds to form).

If you are a serious New Jersey allergy sufferer, you can stay on top of the pollen count all year by calling (201) 456-6518, the pollen count hotline at UMDNJ-University Hospital. In general, a count of 0-20 particles per cubic meter (p/m³) is low and causes symptoms only in the most allergic individuals; 20-200 p/m³ is a medium count and produces symptoms in most people with allergies; a count of over 200 is considered high and produces symptoms in all allergy-sensitive people.

The pollen and mold counting station at UMDNJ-University Hospital is the only station in New Jersey approved by the American Academy of Allergy and Immunology, which presently has a grant to record counts across the country for the National Institutes of Health (NIH).

If an accident aggravates a pre-existing injury

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Undisclosed prior accidents, claims and injuries tend to haunt clients at inopportune moments, such as depositions and arbitration hearings — or worse — in front of a judge and jury.

If you advise your attorney of your complete history or injuries or claims, he will require an appropriate strategy and use your history to your advantage.

Your attorney can also use this information to help your physician identify the injuries caused by the present accident.

With that in mind, if an accident aggravates a pre-existing medical condition, call your attorney to arrange for an office visit. Although your attorney will tell you which documents and information he will require, come prepared to discuss all prior accidents and injuries, and bring all related documents in your possession.

Once armed with all relevant information on the present and prior incidents and conditions, your attorney will render an honest assessment of the merits of your claim and ability to receive monetary compensation.

Please keep in mind that your attorney is a partner who shares your desire to maximize your recovery, since most plaintiffs' attorneys handle personal injury cases on a contingency fee basis. This simply means that the only receive a fee when they successfully recover money for you.

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Mayor James calls on Newark residents to help save lives

Mayor Sharpe James today urged all Newark residents to tune in to an ABC-TV special on June 7 (9 p.m. - 10 p.m.) that could save hundreds of citizens lives in the City of Newark this year.

The television special, sponsored by the American Red Cross and hosted by actor John Ritter, will provide safety procedures to viewers on what to do during an emergency or disaster. The show will also administer an Emergency Test which is intended to evaluate how prepared and knowledgeable viewers are about safety and emergency procedures.

According to figures from the National Safety Council, over 47 thousand Americans died in 1988 while over 7.3 million others were injured from non-motor-vehicle related accidents.

A host of celebrities will make guest appearances on the show to highlight a special area within four major categories: Home Safety, Recreational Safety, Safety in Public, and Natural Disasters.

In an effort to support the American Red Cross in Newark, Mayor Sharpe James has developed a local theme for this nationwide campaign, "knowledge saves lives." According to James, "knowledge saves lives, and in order to lessen the number of accidental deaths in the City of Newark, I urge every resident to watch this informative and vital program."

George Hutchens, vice president of American Red Cross Programs and Services, added, "the preparation for emergencies is a vital tool that should be present in our daily lives."

American Red Cross disaster specialists have noticed repeatedly that some victims of a major fire, flood or earthquake have suffered injury or lost their lives because they did not know what to do, or did the wrong thing," Hutchens said.

Hot nutritious meals for Union County Seniors

If you are 60 years old or older, or married to someone 60-plus, you can get a hot meal at almost two-dozen sites throughout the county, courtesy of the Union County Nutrition program for the Elderly.

Hot, nutritious lunches are served Monday through Friday at 22 sites countywide, and they include soup or juice, meat, chicken or fish, vegetables, bread and butter, beverage and dessert. Said Jeffrey Maccarelli, Union County Freeholder and liaison to the Advisory Council on Aging, "In addition to the lunch programs, there is a breakfast program, dinner program and early bird brunch program."

The program is operated by the Division on Aging, Department of Human Services, and the meals are planned by a nutritionist to provide one-third of the Recommended Daily Allowance (R.D.A.) established by the Food and Nutrition Board of the National Academy of Science.

"The Union County Nutrition Program for the Elderly attempts health maintenance through improved nutrition," said Maccarelli. "It also fosters social interaction, provides access to other supportive services and satisfies emotional needs, especially for those who eat alone." Reservations should be made two days in advance and a donation of \$1 to offset the cost of the meal and to expand the program is suggested. The program is made possible by a grant from the U.S. Government under the Older Americans Act.

Mayor Sharpe James supports Cancer Society Backward Race

Mayor Sharpe James today announced his support for the Essex County chapter of the American Cancer Society's (ACS), One-Kilometer (1-K) Corporate Backward Race, Wednesday, June 13, starting in front of Newark's Quality Inn, 50 Park Place.

Mayor James called the corporate run "a great way to give to the American Cancer Society while having fun at the same time. As veteran of the Newark Distance Classic and several road races, I know I'm a pretty good runner going forward, but it will be interesting to see how I do going backward. I encourage every elected official, corporate

leader and health fitness enthusiast to come on out and run the race."

The race kicks off at noon, rain or shine, the ACS officials said. Pre-registration for the fundraising event is \$10. The first 175 registrants will receive free T-shirts. Ribbons and prizes will be awarded to top finishers. Participants must be 18 years of age or older, and those who obtain \$100 or more in pledges are eligible for additional prizes.

For further information, please call the Essex County chapter of the American Cancer Society office (201-736-7770).



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CITY LIFE

Tashan -- no longer on the horizon

At 27 years of age Tashan has been in show business for twenty years. Born Thomas Jerome Pierre, in Poughkeepsie, New York, he began performing as a soloist at 7 years old with the choir at Beulah Baptist Church in that city where his mother was the pianist. Like singers as diverse as Leontyne Price, Aretha Franklin, Terence Trent D'Arby and Luther Vandross, Tashan's style was forged in the African-American church and contains all the power and passion characteristic of that genre. Early on in life he developed a love for performance which was encouraged by his mother who provided singing, dancing and acting lessons and took him to New York City for auditions. His talent was recognized by casting agents and he appeared in commercial for Chicks Vitamins, Tang and Jell-O Pudding. He also performed a voice-over for a character on the "Kids Power" television series. His association with the series was brief because the production company moved to California.

After a two year stint at Howard University where he studied engineering, Tashan settled in New York City in 1983 to seek a career in music. At Howard he learned to play the piano and started writing songs. Since then he has composed over



150 songs and this skill provided him entry into the business of music. After only a few months in the city, Tashan was writing for and singing background with the rap group, Whodini. This experience quickly led to opportunities with other rappers like Kurtis Blow and Afrika Bambaata, with whom he travelled to Japan and

Italy in 1985 and '86. That same year Tashan recorded his first album as a solo artist, "Chasing The Dream," released on the Def Jam/Columbia label. He says the song after which the album is named was inspired by, "The dream I had of expressing myself in music. But basically the song was about anyone who has a dream in

life and has to chase after it."

Tashan's second album on the Def Jam/Columbia label is entitled *On The Horizon*. Tashan has expressed the desire to create music that will promote positive changes in the listener. He describes his efforts on the present record as, "My honest attempt to present myself as an artist who is sincerely expressing how I feel and what I see. I want to encourage people to look toward the future. I believe the '90s will witness a renaissance for Black people in America."

It's on the horizon. The songs on the album range from didactic message songs like "Black Man," "Flow You Livin'," and "Save The Family," to love songs like, "Tears Of Joy," "All The Time Lovin'," and "Think About You." There are songs for the heart and songs for the mind. All are rendered with a fire that touches the soul. Tashan is a terrific singer who cites Stevie Wonder, Marvin Gaye and Teddy Pendergrass as his major influences. Firmly rooted in this grand tradition of Black male vocalist, Tashan is a conscious artist whose music displays a wisdom and sophistication beyond his years. Talented, handsome, upbeat and optimistic, he is the ideal star for the '90s.

Field of baseball dreams comes alive at Swain's

The fields of baseball dreams will come alive in "Play Ball," an exhibit of ballpark lithographs, June 2 to July 7, at Swain Galleries in Plainfield.

From Shea to Yankee Stadium, from Fenway Park and the Polo Grounds to Ebbs and Wrigley Field, the collection includes works of four renowned sports artists in limited-edition prints by Bill Goff, Inc. of NYC. Goff, the only guest artist curator for the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, recently completed

a baseball art exhibit there, with another planned for 1994. He was the subject of a "Sports Illustrated" article in May, 1989.

Represented in the "Play Ball" exhibit are artists William Feldman, Andy Jurinko, Bill Purdon and the late Joseph Golinkin, all of whom have original paintings in the Baseball Hall of Fame permanent collection.

The late Joseph Golinkin was the most prolific and best known New York sports artist of the 1930s. At the 1982 Los Angeles

Olympics, he won a gold medal in lithography at the International Olympic Art competition and in 1941, he collaborated with John Kieran on "The American Sporting Scene." His work appears in numerous corporate, museum and private collections, nationwide.

William Feldman's work has been exhibited in the office of the Commissioner of Major League Baseball and the Spectrum Fine Arts Gallery, and is included in corporate, private and museum collections. An avid sports fan

who lives in Brooklyn,

Feldman earned a PhD in art history from NYU and served as art librarian for the Museum of Modern Art and the Brooklyn Museum.

A devout baseball fan, Andy Jurinko was born in Phillipsburg, N.J., lived and works in Tribeca and attended and taught at the Philadelphia College of Art. A serious painter of sports subjects, he has participated in numerous museum exhibitions.

BILLBOARD

Thursday, June 7
NEWARK—Bradford Hayes & Group will kick off the Thursday Night Jazz Concerts in the Terrace Room at Newark Symphony Hall from 5-9 p.m. No admission and a complementary buffet will be offered to augment the cash bar.

Sunday, June 10, 1990
ASSBURY PARK—Local vocalist Marilyn Struckmeyer will perform at the Assbury Park Train Station at 3 p.m. This black tie performance will also feature an exhibit of the work of photographer Bob Bowne. For further information call 201-776-7776.

June 13-17
WAYNE—"Exterminators," a gripping drama about rape and revenge, will be staged in the Hunziker Theatre on the William Paterson College campus. For further information call 201-595-2371.

Sunday, June 17, 1990
NEWARK—The National Sarcoidosis Family Aid & Research Foundation will present a fashion show and luncheon honoring Robert Wells at the Quality Inn. For further information call 201-622-1100.

June 29 - July 4
BROOKLYN—Singers, dancers, comedians, rappers, actors, poets, marching bands, jazz, gospel, and reggae musicians between 12 and 21 are invited to compete in the USA's largest street festival, the African Street Festival. Auditions will be held at Bedford Stuyvesant Restoration Arts and Culture Center, 1368 Fulton Street Near Marcy Avenue in Brooklyn. The final competition will take place at the 19th Annual African Street Festival, at Boys and Girls High School, 1700 Fulton Street, Brooklyn, NY, from June 29 to July 4.

Thursday, July 5
NEWARK—Leo Johnson, Newark Saxophonist and group will perform at the Thursday Night Jazz Concerts in the Terrace Room at Newark Symphony Hall from 5-9 p.m. No admission and a complementary buffet will be offered to augment the cash bar.

July 13-15
WAYNE—"The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas" a happy-go-lucky view of small-town vice and statewide corruption, will be staged in the Hunziker Theatre on the William Paterson College campus. For further information call 201-595-2371.

August 1-5
WAYNE—"A Lesson from Ales," focuses on the impact apartheid has on the individual in South Africa, will be staged in the Hunziker Theatre on the William Paterson College campus. For further information call 201-595-2371.

Thursday, August 2
NEWARK—Boogie Latin Jazz Salsa All Stars will perform at the Thursday Night Jazz Concerts in the Terrace Room at Newark Symphony Hall from 5-9 p.m. No admission and a complementary buffet will be offered to augment the cash bar.

Division of recreation and cultural affairs announces the city of Newark Mayor's golf tournament

The Newark Division of Recreation and Cultural Affairs (DORCA) announced today that, due to popular demand, the date for the City of Newark Mayor's Golf Tournament has been changed to Wednesday, July 18, 1990 on the Weequahic Park Golf Course.

The original tournament date was June 9 (with a June 10 rain date). The DORCA officials, sponsors of the event, said the later tournament date will allow more golfers to play.

The tournament will tee-off at 10 a.m. sharp, with a shotgun start. The tournament officials set the rain date for Wednesday, July 25th. Championship, A, B, and C flight rounds will be played, and a handicap will be in effect to protect all players. Golf bags, clubs, balls and other golfing equipment are some of the prizes to be awarded. Light refreshments will be served prior to tee-off.

Those wishing to pre-register should mail their completed registration forms, along with a \$50.00 entry fee which covers green fees, prizes and food. Entry forms can be obtained by contacting the DORCA office: Newark City Hall, 920 Broad Street, Room B-23 (201-733-3749).

Personal checks will not be accepted after July 6, DORCA officials said. For further information, please contact Harold Wright, special events coordinator for DORCA (201-733-3749).

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TIE ME UP, TIE ME DOWN

King Kong As Ward Cleaver

If you loved "Women on the Verge of a Nervous Breakdown," you'll like "Tie Me Up, Tie Me Down." This is not bad-boy writer-director Pedro Almodóvar at his most over-the-top outrageous, knocking out his characters with barbiturate-laced gazpacho or sending them tumbling over the balcony at regular intervals; this is a kinder, gentler Almodóvar, more droll than hilarious, who, within the framework of the sex-dys-function-neurosis world his people inhabit, searches for some version of stability, normality, and true love.

This time Almodóvar's star-crossed lovers are Marina, a junkie porn star turned more-or-less legit film actress, and Ricky, an orphan and small-time thief just released from a mental institution, where he fixed locks and provided said service to the nurses and the director. If this management sounds sordid, what's perhaps most immediately striking about the film is just how unsordid it feels. Almodóvar's sunny primary colors, his cheerfully carefree attitude, and his genuine compassion consistently raise his films above the grime we would expect them to sink into. When an obsessed Ricky kidnaps Marina in her own apartment, ties her mother shut, ties her to the bed, and explains that he's doing all this so she can learn to love him, Almodóvar is setting himself a challenge: can he show us unflinchingly the violence and craziness of the situation and at the same time get us to eventually accept the tender love story that is at its core? The film becomes a double game, Almodóvar trying to seduce the audience as Ricky tries to seduce Marina.

This strategy is delicate and requires more muted tones than in Almodóvar's previous work. Though the relatively low-key approach is perfectly defensible and indeed necessary, it's somewhat less fun to watch. As usual, Almodóvar treats us to no end of thins, fags, homages, and allusions to the world at large as well as the world of film. Brumand gagged, Marina watches "Night of the Living Dead" on TV. There's a handcuffed-couple scene right out of "The 39 Steps." Ricky's style of casual, street-wise thievery and fatal attraction recalls Belmondo's doomed anti-hero in "Breathless"; his wig and screeching string violin motif suggest Anthony Perkins in "Psycho"; and the woman he both terrorizes and loves has the same name as Lee Harvey Oswald's hapless wife. The studied subtext of Almodóvar's visual style approaches that of his fellow Spaniard Luis Buñuel, although, like Buñuel, it may take him till he's in his sixties to succeed in making films that look like they were shot by a child of six.

Part of Almodóvar's uniqueness is his sympathetic treatment of the distinct predicaments of men and women. He uses his gayness to achieve a Tiresias-like objectivity that views sex as a sort of universal hot soup we're all stewing in. (Even when Ricky and Marina make away to an all-night drug store, the pharmacist is in a back room engaged in sweaty fornication.) Sex makes men feel and women slaves, he seems to be saying, but by diving deep enough into both that folly or that bondage one can achieve a kind of integrity and even redemption. Particularly striking is Almodóvar's genuine love of and sympathy for women, though here it comes through less clearly than in "Women on the Verge." Free of attachment to the standard idealized heterosexual fantasies, he shows us women with waists that are too short, hips that are too wide, faces that are too hawk-like, and souls that are too troubled to fit the bland Christie Brinkley mold—and makes us see how much more interesting and beautiful these real women are than any our fantasies could create.

At once funny, disturbing, and touching is the parody of middle-class home life that grows out of this abduction. Having beaten her and threatened to kill her, Ricky fixes Marina's kitchen sink and brings her breakfast in bed. His plans to be Marina's husband and the father of her children are rather like hearing King Kong aspire to be Ward Cleaver. Surely Marina bound and gagged (in bed yet) is an icon of woman's place in the home; Ricky's forays into the streets in search of drugs for her, where he is repeatedly beaten and robbed, satirize the conventional male ventures into the workaday jungle to bring home the bacon.

Almodóvar does offer a gay ally solution to the age-old predicament. (Can't live with 'em, can't live without 'em, and it cuts both ways.) What he does offer is a kind of enchanted, story-book distancing from the problem, a sympathetic relishing of it that is more than camp. A ready chuckle of appreciation for the inextricably paradoxical material it provides for the maker of comedies.

This is my last column for now. I'm taking off to work on a book and don't know when or if I'll be back. The editors have promised to put someone good in this space. Thanks for your support, and don't forget to signal your turns.

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School of the Arts announces fall registration

Fall registration for the Newark Community School of the Arts (NCSA) has begun and will continue through June 30th at the School's main branch, 89 Lincoln Park, Newark, NJ.

Founded in 1968, the School offers private and group lessons on 20 instruments and voice, as well as six forms of dance, drama and art classes. NCSA's "Young at Arts" Early Childhood Development Programs for children four to seven years old include Suzuki Violin, Creative Movement and Orff-Kodaly Training.

Registration is also taking place now for NCSA's five-week summer session, June 27th-July 25th.

Because of the vast and di-

verse array of courses available at NCSA, students of all ages and abilities will be easily accommodated. NCSA's faculty are all highly qualified teachers as well as professionals active in the arts world.

The Newark Community School of the Arts has an enrollment of some 2,000 students and provides quality arts instruction to all who seek it regardless of age, ability or financial need. Alumni of the School have gone on to attend institutions of higher education as well as appearing in films, TV and Broadway.

For further information on Summer and Fall Registration, call the NCSA Registrar at (201)642-0133.

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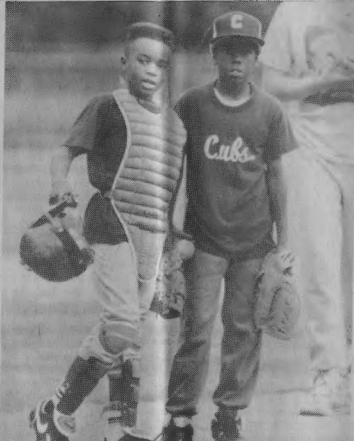
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Cubs' catcher, Malcolm Mills (left) and pitcher George Battle confer at the mound during their game versus the Braves.

Photo by Ray Bailey

Freeholders exhibit teen art

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders is pleased to announce the opening of the Union County Teen Arts Exhibit. This annual show of artwork by Union County teenagers can be seen from June 11 to July 5, 1990 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Freeholders Meeting Room, Sixth Floor, County Administration building, One Elizabeth Plaza, Elizabeth. An opening reception for the artists, their parents, teachers and the public will be held Monday, June

11 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

"I encourage the public to join us at this reception honoring our young artists," said Freeholder Walter E. Bonfigli, liaison to the Cultural and Heritage Programs Advisory Board which co-sponsors the event with the Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs. "Their creativity is a joy to behold."

For further information on the exhibit, please contact the Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, 558-2550.

Hand in Hand

(Continued from page 1)
"It's a wonderful event of pure enjoyment for our special guests and volunteers. Everyone looks forward to this event," said Dorothea Apper, executive director of Hand in Hand, a non-profit organization.

Coordinated and implemented by Hand in Hand volunteers, this year's festival will feature a variety of live music, clowns, mimes, crafts booths, food, amusements, a petting zoo and more than 200 games.

A number of volunteers is still

needed to assist with this year's event and to escort handicapped guests. Donations of hand-made and store-bought items, to be used as game prizes, and donations of food are also needed. All donations are tax deductible.

Hand in Hand draws volunteers from unions, civic organizations, school and church groups, scouting troops, business clubs, and individuals. Individuals or groups interested in volunteering or making a donation should contact Dorothea Apper at Hand in Hand (201) 528-8269.

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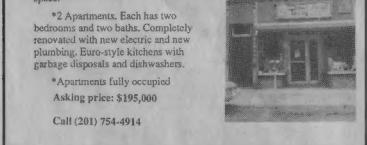


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CITY SPORTS

Weatherford-Trotter: Newark girl sprinters duel for city and state supremacy

It's not quite Flolo versus Evelyn Ashford, but Weatherford versus Trotter ain't too shabby.

Arguably the two best girl sprinters in the state, Newark's own Tiffany Weatherford (Science) and Regina Trotter (Weequahic) will hook up today (June 6) in the Meet of Champions in South Plainfield. At stake are city and state bragging rights granted to the state's best sprinter.

Both Weatherford and Trotter prepped for today's challenge by scoring big wins last Saturday at the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association's Track and Field Championships. Each won the 100 and 200 meter championships, Trotter in Group IV and Weatherford in Group I. Weatherford also capturing her group's 400 meter title.

Other champions of note included Ernseto Perez (1:51.16, Group 3 800m) of Newark West Side, Eric Taylor-Perry (7-0, Group 4 high jump) of Montclair, Natwon Harp (1:05.37, Group 1 400 hurdles) of Newark Science, and Nicole Simms (46-6 1/4, Group 1 shot put) of Plainfield.

Back to Weatherford-Trotter. If you're into comparing times, Trotter had the edge Saturday, running 12.16 to Weatherford's 12.21 in the 100 and 24.61 to 24.72 in the 200. Yet, when the two met head to head in the Essex County Championships, Weatherford was the victor in both the 100 and 200.

Angelo Clark, an assistant to head coach James Carter of Weequahic and former head coach himself, has worked closely with

A VIEW FROM THE SIDELINE

by Fern Taylor
City News Writer

Trotter over the last couple of years. Even though Clark noted that Trotter had the better times Saturday, he believes the Meet of Champions race will be too close to call.

"The times are so close between the two," Clark said. "I believe it will come down to a lean, or maybe a step or two."

"She (Trotter) ran an excellent race (Saturday). There was actually no competition for her. She won the 100 by three yards and the 200 by about the same margin. ... County Championships), Tiffany won both races."

Clark attributes Trotter's dedication to the tough working regimen instituted by the Weequahic coaching staff as a key factor in the junior's success.

"I train them very hard, because if they are not pushed, most runners won't run well," he said. "Once they have crossed the threshold of pain and are able to persevere, they then get a sense of accomplishment, and you know you are running well, especially when you see your name among the tops in the state."

"In her sophomore year," he added "she ran with Roxanne Francis, who was a state champion. Having Roxanne to run with in practice, helped her. It pulled her talents right out of the closet."

Track and field has also served as an incentive to Trotter to work hard in school.

"Track and field gives her something to look forward to," Clark said, "something to do with her time. Plus she knows she has to do well to continue running."



In the 200 meter dash were Courtney Burton (center) of Kennedy in Iselin who placed first; Jay Hobbs (left) of Bridgewater West, fifth place; and Kevin Lyles, (right) of Franklin at the South Plainfield Track Meet held June 6.

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(L-R) Alnisa Tucker, Natwon Harp and Mecca Ford helped bring Arts Science a 3rd place victory in the 1600 relay.

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No hurdle too high for Science High's Alnisa Tucker

by Monty Dickerson

Science High School's Alnisa Tucker is hurdling her way to state prominence. The personable senior has continued her undefeated status in New Jersey which began December in Winter Track. Alnisa joined the All state team this past indoor season as she was named to the first team. She was joined on the team by teammate Tiffany Weatherford. Alnisa is the only senior on Coach Duke's state championship team. Coach Duke had the following comments about his college bound senior, "Alnisa has come a long way. She's only sixteen years old and just became really competitive last year. She struggled before then but hung in there and did not quit. She has paid her dues and has the potential to do very well in college both academically and athletically."

Coach Duke also believes,

"Alnisa has as good a chance as anyone to win the outdoor high hurdle state crown."

This year Alnisa has compiled a long list of honors and achievements. During the winter she ran 8.1 for the 55 meter hurdles capturing the city, conference, county and state titles. She placed 2nd in the eastern losing to the eventual National Champion. She also runs on Science's record breaking 400, 800 and 1600 meter relay teams. As a junior last year she made 3rd team

All state with her PR 14.4. This coming spring season Alnisa has grasped the county, conference and sectional championships with Science High School winning the team titles at all of these select meets.

Alnisa had narrowed her college choice to two schools, Brown University (Ivy league) and Northeastern University. Here's a *City News* exclusive, Alnisa will be attending Northeastern University this fall on a full athletic scholarship. She made her decision last week.

Alnisa expressed to me that she is striving for better things and that she does try to be a role model for the youngsters in her neighborhood. She credits her mother Jeannette Haskins for being her inspirational guide. Alnisa also appreciates her coaches and teammates stating "You can always count on them for support." She is anxiously awaiting college and hopes to run 13.9 at the state meet. "She will be joining former teammates Tanisha McGriff, Tusharka Phillips-Chapman and Tarenvia Eddings all of whom now attend and compete for Northeastern University.

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Arts Science Al Fuquan Ferguson easily maneuvers the hurdles at the recent South Plainfield Track Meet. Photo by Ray Bailey